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For: NUCLEIC ACID PROBES AND METHODS FOR DETECTING  
CLINICALLY IMPORTANT FUNGAL PATHOGENS

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL SUBMISSION**

Supplemental to the Amendment filed April 8, 2003, the Examiner is requested to consider the attached Declaration in the above. The claims are submitted to be in condition for allowance for the reasons noted in the Amendment as well as during the Examiner Interview of March 13, 2003.

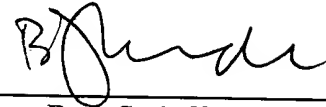
A Rule 103 Petition was filed April 8, 2003 requesting suspension of action for three months from April 8, 2003. The Examiner is requested to act on the present application at the Examiner's earliest convenience. An early and favorable action is requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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